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SYSTEM AND METHOD OF  
MANAGING BUSINESS  
INFORMATION

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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION**  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) is the nonprovisional utility patent application of:

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Enclosed are:

- [ X ] Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76).
- [ X ] Preliminary Amendment (3 pages).
- [ X ] Specification, Claims, and Abstract (44 pages).
- [ X ] Informal drawings (17 sheets, Figures 1-24).
- [ X ] Declaration and Power of Attorney (3 pages).
- [ X ] ☒ Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (1 page).
- [ X ] Assignment of the invention to NEC CORPORATION (2 pages).

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